

## NOW IT IS CROQUET

Tennis Has Died a Lingering and Painful Death

## TO GIVE FASHION A CHANCE

To Display Girls in Pretty Poses and Prettier Gowns for the Game With Mallets and Balls.

With the revival of gored skirts flounced to the waist, pique bonnets, be-whiskered faces and white stockings, it is any wonder that tennis with its severe dress requirements, has died a natural death and croquet has come to the fore as a means of displaying the various new styles in the most advantageous manner.

Though tennis was great fun and many there are who are still enthusiastic admirers of it, women old and young were forced to admit that it was not a pastime conducive to beauty or permitting any of the graceful poses that are part and parcel of the old game that has with the change of time and fashion come to the fore again.

A coarse gown of flannel was the most that one could attempt in the line of dress, and the flat-heeled shoes necessary to run about the courts were not apt to make one resemble Cinderella, therefore it was no wonder that feminine fancy turns to a sport that permits the wearing of the fluffiest of gowns and the daintiest of shoes and even allows a chaffron paraded in one hand while the other deftly handles a mallet.

A girl who cannot look well at croquet will never look well anywhere, for there are more opportunities to display one's best points in the leisurely elegant movements of that game than in any other style of entertainment generally chosen by women. To begin with one does not resemble a boiled lobster after even the most exciting contest, and this, as a rule, is the condition of the tennis players at the conclusion of a game. Laughs and frills, pique-sous hats and all dainty womanly accessories are quite in keeping with the game, while the opportunities to show a pretty foot and ankle are unequalled and yet quite pardonable when the necessity for going a No. 2 size on a refractory ball calls for such an exhibition.

Though tennis may be ten times as healthful it has never possessed the coquettish qualities that will always entice a girl to the heart of the genuine summer girl who knows her good points and finds in this gentle pastime the best chance to display them.

## Hungarian Beauties.

The Hungarian women are among the most beautiful in the world. They are not singularizing diaphanous creatures, dressed in silks and the color of roses, with a sickly pallor or a hectic flush in their cheeks. Not! Erect and straight as a candle, hearty and vigorous to the core, they are pictures of good health and abounding vitality. They are gifted with small feet, full arms, plump hands with tapering fingers and wear long braids. The sun has spread a reddish golden tint or a darker tone over the complexion. The Hungarian woman is not a beauty of classical contour, nor does she, perhaps, frequently present a radiance to the psychologist, and ethereal gods will scarcely find a theme in her for hypersensitive reveries. She is rather the vigorous embodiment of primeval womanhood. As her exterior,



STYLISH DRESS IN HUNGARIAN TRIMMED WITH LACE TRIM AND FLOWERS.

she has a character that is enchantingly fresh and positive. She likes to eat well, fond of a little wine, takes naturally to swimming, dancing, gymnastics and has not the least objection to being admired. Grace and beauty know no bounds between high and low, and often finds upon a poor bare-faced, short-skirted peasant girl with her face turned in a kerchief tied under the chin, the same enchanting form, the same graceful walk, the same magically attractive glance as upon her more favored sister.

## Poses for Scrap-Book.

You keep a scrap-book, no doubt, and you will be glad to know how to make a new-arrived pose to add to your treasures in your book. Try this pose if you are not well pleased with it: Drape in water two squares inches of gauze and the same quantity of satin and with those faces as if you were making their poses and sit in two teacups of oil of lavender. This ought to make a pink of posies. It will keep so long as you care to keep it—a year, if necessary.

## Drawing With the Crochet-Weaver.

An authority on domestic economy advises the housekeeper of limited means to make the best of strength and do as much knitting with the other weaver as possible. Plain pieces, like towels, pillow cases, sheets, curtains and stockings, though the weaver will be away from home for all practical purposes, the colors are light. Life is bright and fresh and looks are too numerous to be wasted spinning, carding, spinning, weaving, reeling and doing a lot of useless work.

Where Camphor Comes From.

Camphor is the result of evaporating an essential oil, found in two different forms—the camphoraceous camphor, which grows in China and Japan, and the camphoraceous camphor of Sumatra and Java. From these two forms it is distilled in very different manners. In the camphoraceous it exists in one used twice—stones and leaves, which are dried small and put into certain ves-

sels, which are heated; these vessels are covered with heads and rice straw is placed in them; the camphor is volatilized and rises; it condenses on the straw, from which it is afterward cleared. In the camphoraceous it is found in the trunk, in a solid form, and it is obtained by cutting the tree down and splitting it open; it is found in pieces from one to two feet long and about as thick as a man's arm. A moderate-sized tree will yield about ten pounds of camphor, a larger one about twice that quantity. This kind is more highly esteemed than the other, so that in Japan two hundred pounds of native camphor are valued at one pound of the Bornean. Free Press.

## Summer Diversion.

Women have abandoned spoon collecting in a measure. No wonder! Some of them have a hundred or two of every size, shape or design. The latest thing—a real summer diversion—is collecting silver hat pins. You will notice the elaborateness of some of these sharp



HER PRETTY GOWN AND CHIC HAT.

instruments if you take any note of millinery elsewhere than in shop windows. Most of these pins would serve for daggers in case of need, being sharp enough and strong enough to dispatch a man. Fancy Juliet carrying her dagger in her hair, though to be sure, the odors took the gold pin from her hair to dispatch Mercutio.

## Wondrous White Serge Reformer.

Among recent importations is a white serge reefer, with immense shoulder puffs over sleeves that are equally enormous. The puffs and the lining are of silk. The whole is beautiful and almost sinfully extravagant, as the first wearing would soil and harm it beyond further beauty.

## Ancient Stenography.

It is now proved that stenography, far from being of modern invention, was much used by the Greeks and Romans in taking down the great speeches made in the forum and assembly. It is even hinted that the Egyptians, Phoenicians and Jews knew the art and used it. Some one may next be expected to claim that Cleopatra was a type-writer girl before Mark Anthony met her, or that Xantippus had temper may have been caused by too assiduous attentions on the part of Socrates to one of the same species.

**Household Briefs.**

A home way to repair garden hose when you are at a distance from the supply shops: Take two ounces or more of naphtha into which drop as much shellac as will absorb till of the consistency of thin gum. Cut some bandages of canvas or thick leather, spread the composition on one side of them, bind tightly round the hose and fasten firmly with twine. Let it remain a day, then remove the twine. The hose must be kept dry before the plasters are applied. Keep the cement in a glass-stoppered bottle.

A nice way to keep wax for the work basket is to fill shells of English walnuts with melted wax, fastening the two half shells closely together at one end. There will then be a small space at the other end through which the thread will slip when the wax is being used.

If you will dip your broom in clean hot suds once a week, then shake it until it is almost dry, then hang it up or stand it with the handle down it will last twice as long as it would without this treatment.

To improve starch add a tablespoonful of epsom salts and dissolve in the usual way by boiling. Articles starched with this will be stiffer and rendered to a certain extent fire-proof.

An old housekeeper says the way to exterminate ants in a cupboard is to place it in an earthen dish containing a pint of tar, on which two quarts of hot water has been poured.

Scratches on furniture may be removed by rubbing with a wooden rag dipped in boiled linseed oil. The varnishing may then be done with shellac dissolved in alcohol.

Lettuce is the best salad to serve with fish, but all cooked and cold vegetables go well.

## LOST AND FOUND.

But the Bridegroom Was Not the Man Who Left.

They were on their wedding journey, going to New York. When they reached Philadelphia, Mr. Flynn went out for "a snack," and promised to get "joeys" a sandwich and some pie. But first he ordered something liquid, and as it tasted good he lingered over it, sipping it leisurely. Then he put his hand in his pocket and remembered that he had given his wife his pocketbook.

"I'll be back in a minute," he said, explaining the matter to the barkeeper, and he made a rush for the train just in time to see it move out on foot time.

"By Jove," he exclaimed, as he recovered the breath he had lost in fruitlessly pursuing his train, "this is a nice fix for a fellow on his wedding trip."

He went back to the barkeeper, who heard his story sympathetically and advised him to telegraph to the next sta-

tion and make a request that his wife should stop there and telegraph back some money to enable him to reach her and to pay for his refreshments.

As he had several hours to wait after he had sent his telegram, he sauntered round to the other side of the depot and saw a long train of cars just leaving, and the pale, anxious face of his wife pressed against a car window.

"Good heavens!" he exclaimed, "what a blank fool I am," and he swung himself on the post of a car, just escaping being drawn under the wheels.

When he reached his wife, he asked modestly:

"Where are you going? Where have you been? What has become of our train?"

The look of reproach she gave him cut him to the heart. It took him an hour to explain how he had lost sight of the cars and believed the train that had pulled out was the one she was on.

They made up, but the maid-mistress man on the line was the barkeeper, who was the only one who was left.—Detroit Free Press.

## Antidote for Tragedy.

Winks—Come along, old boy. I've got two complimentary tickets for a dramatic performance.

Jinks—Tragedy or comedy?

"I don't like tragedies. They appeal so strongly to one's sympathy that I always feel blue for a week."

"This one won't. You'll come home as jolly as if you'd been to a circus. It's by an amateur company."—New York Weekly.

## Something to Fall Back On.

Jack—My darling, I want to tell you something. I have deceived you. I am not rich, but utterly penniless. Will it make any difference to you?

Ethel—Not the slightest, Jack.

Jack—I am so glad, dearest. Are you quite sure it will make no difference to you?

Ethel—Quite sure. I can marry old Moneybags—Vogue.

## A Narrow Escape.

Hotel Clerk—Here, boy, show this gentleman into the breakfast room.

Uncle Abner—Good Lord! You don't mean to say yes her special rooms for these are different things, deary we're?

Clerk—Certainly, sir.

Uncle Abner—Then I guess Miranda on me must have slep'ey in the greasy house last night.—Truth.

## A Bit of Everyday Philosophy.

Old Lady—What time does the next train go to Yonkers?

Ticket Seller—Twelve o'clock.

Old Lady—Dear me! Isn't there one before that?

Ticket Seller (calmly)—Madam, there is never one before the next.—Brooklyn Life.

## Too Much So.

Dr. Pulte Kountz—But, my dear sir, I never promised you that I would bring about a complete cure. I have done my best. The practice of medicine is not an exact science.

Patient (looking at the bill)—Not exact, but exacting.—Boston Transcript.

## A Gentle Protest.

Tourist (at Swiss hotel), giving up the struggle with an uncommonly tough steak—Here, waiter, get them to fasten these beefsteaks to the bottom of my boot soles. I am doing a stiff climb tomorrow.

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